IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/656,218

Confirmation No. 1060

Applicant : Ernst Peter Strecker

Title : ENDOPROSTHESIS THAT CAN BE PERCUTANEOUSLY

IMPLANTED IN THE PATIENT'S BODY

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Communication of January 24, 2008 and the Non-final Rejection of May 7, 2007, for which a response is due on or before February 24, 2008, with no extension of time, Applicants submit the following corrected response and respectfully request reconsideration.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.